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LETTER DATED 15 OCTOBER 1999 FROM THE CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF YUGOSLAVIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have been instructed by my Government to bring to your attention the decision of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General, Bernard Kouchner, of 15 October 1999, authorizing the United Nations civilian presence in Kosovo and Metohija, the autonomous province of the Yugoslav constituent Republic of Serbia, to issue registration plates for vehicles in that Serbian province. In the weekly report of the Mission of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) in Kosovo and Metohija for the period from 29 September to 5 October 1999, it stated that Mr. Kouchner had advised of the decision at a meeting of the Kosovo Transitional Council when he showed the model of future plates.

According to the Constitutions of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and the Republic of Serbia, only Federal organs are authorized to issue vehicle registration plates. By ignoring the Constitutions, Mr. Kouchner has acted contrary to the provisions of Security Council resolution 1244 (1999) of 10 June 1999 relative to the respect of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and in breach of his own mandate.

The Federal Republic of Yugoslavia expects that, in upholding the letter and spirit of the said resolution, the Security Council will react promptly and effectively to its most recent violation by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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